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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Tsuyoshi SATO, et al.  
SERIAL NO: 10/820,712  
FILED: April 9, 2004  
FOR: ALKALINE PROTEASE



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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-  
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GROUP 1156

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this response.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this response.

**Support for the Amendments** begin on page 5 of this response.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this response.